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## Attention Drunk Drivers: Frisco Police Will Find You

**FRISCO, TX –** If you drink and drive this upcoming Labor Day holiday, be prepared to meet one of Frisco's finest. Beginning August 25<sup>th</sup> and running through September 7<sup>th</sup>, officers with the Frisco Police Department will be stepping up patrols in search of drunk drivers. The Frisco Police Department is once again partnering with the Texas Department of Transportation to participate in its Impaired Driving Mobilization (IDM) grant. The grant provides funding for additional patrols to search for impaired drivers.

The Frisco Police Department has previously participated in the IDM grant and has had a tremendous amount of success with the program. In years past, officers have performed impaired driving patrols through this grant during spring break, 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend, and the holiday season in late December. In all, the Frisco Police Department has made 23 arrests for drunk drivers since beginning participation in the program in 2008.

Nationwide, impaired drivers contribute to nearly half of all traffic fatalities each year. Frisco had two fatality motor vehicle crashes in 2008 that involved intoxicated drivers; no intoxicated driver-related fatality accidents have occurred so far this year.

The Frisco Police Department would like to offer the following tips to remember for the upcoming Labor Day holiday:

- Designate a driver;
- 2. Be cautious of possible impaired drivers around you and get away from them as quickly as possible;
- 3. Refuse to get into a car with an intoxicated driver; and
- 4. Call police to report suspected intoxicated drivers on the roadways.

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